

## Graduations abound in Menominee



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This was the scene at the College of
the Menominee Nation on Thursday,
May 25th as 17 graduates walked
across stage to receive their degree
in various fields of study.

Other area graduations observed on the Menominee Reservation included: 'Promotion Day' for eighty-five (85) Headstart children; approximately ninety-two (92) Kindergarten graduates took center stage at both KPS and MTS combined; A total of ninety-nine (99) Eighth grade graduates at MIMS and MTS, and forty (40) Menominee High School graduates.

More on area graduations inside this issue of Menominee Nation News.

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# 11th Annual Gathering of Warrior's



R. Boydhow GRAND ENTRY—Veteran's and family honoring the memory of our fallen Warriors. The 11th Annual 'Gathering of Warriors' Veteran's Powwow was held last weekend at the Woodland Bowl in Keshena. Please see story on pg. 19 and additional photos on 22.

# First Annual Menominee Elder's Summit 2000 planned

By Yvonne M. Kaquatosh
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KESHENA – The Menominee Tribe is sponsoring 'Elder's Summit 2000' on June 8th and 9th, 2000.

The 2-day event will be held at the Menominee High School and will be open to any Menominee 55 years or older. According to recent statistics, senior citizens are the fastest growing population on the Menominee reservation.

With that in mind, Ad Hoc Committee member Lisa Waukau, explained that (we) need to "rethink how we deliver services to that population."

"A lot of people are retiring earlier (and) we want to keep elders in their

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### Fallen Warriors honored on Memorial Day

By Racquel Boyd

KESHENA – The weather was nice last weekend for the annual Neopit and Kesbena Memorial day parades. The Parade in Kesbena hegan around 11:00 am, starting at the Kesbena Primary School and ending at the veteran's park in down town Kesbena. The traditional Memorial Day observances began with a prayer by Dave Grignon followed by a rifle salute and flower offering by the Menominee Girl Scouts. The flowers

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#### Legendary Country Music Stars team with Summertime Promotion thru July

Special to

KESHENA – Northeast Wisconsin will be the place for summer fun and free live music as Menominee Casino-Bingo-Hotel recently announced its July entertainment line-up and monthly promotion. Coined as the "Oueen of Country

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#### **COUNTRY MUSIC:**

Music,'

Kitty Wells performs July 3 at 8 p.m. Fans will have the opportunity to see the Country Music Hall of Fame member perform such fabled hits as, 'Heartbreak USA', 'Unloved, Unwanted', and 'Finally', a duet Wells recorded with Webb Pierce. Her remake of Bob Dylan's song, 'Forever Young' in 1975 may also enlighten concertgoers.

On July 25, at 8 p.m., Porter Wagoner takes center stage to flash his showmanship abilities and emit his quiet country charm. Porter will sing his number one release, 'A Satisfied Mind' among his long string of hits. Country music lovers will also rave over his Grammy Award-winning duet with Dolly Parton, 'Just Someone I Used to Know'.

Throughout the month of July, patrons will also have a chance to win a pontoon boat by filling out entry forms at all regular play slot payouts. For more details on the Casino's Sizzlin' Summer Slots promotion, see the MVP booth for complete details.

The complete entertainment schedule for July is as follows:

July 1 at 8 p.m. Beau Davis
July 3 at 8 p.m. \*Kitty Wells\*
July 5-8 at 8 p.m. Area Code
July 12-15 at 8 p.m. Frankie & The Cruisers
July 20-22 at 8 p.m. Nightshade
July 25 at 8 p.m. \*Porter Wagoner
July 26-29 at 8 p.m. \*Mustang Sally

#### \*National Act

For further information on these acts and other scheduled entertainment at the Menominee Casino-Bingo-Hotel, contact Al Stachura at (800) 343-7778 or fax 715-799-1313.

The Menominee Casino-Bingo-Hotel is located five miles north of Shawano on Highway 47/55 in Keshena. The 30,000 square foot facility offers more than 800 slot, video poker and electronic Keno machines, blackjack table games, and daily Bingo sessions.

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were dropped into the Wolf river in honor of all veterans past and present, living and deceased.

The Menominee High School Band provided a patriotic ensemble for the Flag raising followed by a duet by two trumpeters performing 'Taps'.

There was a special tribute to fifteen veterans who were killed in action overseas. They are: Raymond Shawanokasic-WWII, Arlyn Pamanet-Vietnam, Carl MacPherson-Korea, Joseph Komanekin-WWII, Arnold Tepiew-WWII, Peter Boyd-WWII, Lewellyn Dickenson-Vietnam, Martin Pamonicutt-Vietnam, Marlin Basina-Korea, Joseph Brennan- WWII, Niel Kitson-WWII, Thomas Caldwell-Korea, John Peters-WWI, and Clifford Grignon-Korea.

Crosses were placed in the Veterans Park in commemoration of each name. This represents only a small fraction of all of the Menominee soldiers that have been killed in action. Menominee men have fought and died in American wars since the Civil War and beyond. These names were chosen to represent all those who have died for their country with undying dedication.

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homes as long as we can," added Waukau.

A variety of booths are planned to provide information and get feedback from the elders on a variety of issues effecting elders and society today. Financial concerns such as wills, Medicare, Medicaid, social security benefits will be addressed as well.

Activities will include: Socializing, Traditional Food Contests, Traditional Games, Silent Auction, as well as a variety of workshops. Guest speakers are also scheduled throughout the event.

Transportation will be provided by the Community Based Residential Facility (CBRF). You may call 799-5240 to schedule a ride or sign up at your local Senior Citizen's Meal Center in Keshena, Neopit or South Branch.

Donations are appreciated, you may call 799-3775 or for more information call 799-5616.

The Ad Hoc Committee was organized last year due to concerns raised by elders at the Legislative

level. Other Ad Hoc Committee members are: Eugene Caldwell, Margaret Rose Snow, and Barbara Frechette-Kelley. Kelley is also the Chairperson of the Elder's Council.